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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Designation for the West Sacramento, CA; Frankfort, IN; and Richmond, VA Areas.

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: GIPSA is announcing the designation of California Agri Inspection Company, Ltd. (Cal-Agri); Frankfort Grain Inspection, Inc. (Frankfort); and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Virginia) to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act (USGSA), as amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2013

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READ APPLICATIONS: All applications and comments will be available for public inspection at the office above during regular business hours (7 CFR 1.27(c)).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the May 30, 2012 *Federal Register* (77 FR 31830), GIPSA requested applications for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas presently serviced by Cal-Agri, Frankfort, and Virginia. Applications were due by June 29, 2012.

Cal-Agri, Frankfort, and Virginia were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in these areas. As a result, GIPSA did not ask for additional comments.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in section 79(f) of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 79(f)) and determined that Cal-Agri, Frankfort, and Virginia are qualified to provide official services in the geographic area specified in the *Federal Register* on May 30, 2012. This designation action to provide official services in these specified areas is effective January 1, 2013 and terminates on December 31, 2015.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting these agencies at the following telephone numbers:

Official Agency	Headquarters Location and Telephone	Designation Start	Designation End
Cal-Agri	West Sacramento, CA(916) 374-9700	1/1/2013	12/31/2015
Frankfort	Frankfort, IN(765) 258-3624	1/1/2013	12/31/2015
Virginia	Richmond, VA(757) 494-2464	1/1/2013	12/31/2015

Section 79(f) of the USGSA authorizes the Secretary to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services (7 U.S.C. 79 (f)).

Under section 79(g) of the USGSA, designations of official agencies are effective for no longer than three years unless terminated by the Secretary; however, designations may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in section 79(f) of the USGSA.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71 – 87k.

Larry Mitchell, Administrator Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration $[FR\ Doc.\ 2012\text{-}31308\ Filed\ 12/27/2012\ at\ 8\text{:}45\ am;\ Publication\ Date:\ 12/28/2012]$